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Interview Summary A

SIR:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiners Divine and Poon for the courtesies extended to the undersigned during the telephone interview. Applicants and the examiners discussed the rejections of claims 1, 3, 9, 17, 24, 26, 28 and 29 with respect to the teachings of the prior art and/or motivation to combine plural references in respective 103 rejections. Although no agreement was reached regarding the patentability of any claim, Applicant's arguments were well received by the examiners. Applicants file the RCE herewith responsive to the discussions of the interview. Details regarding Applicants' arguments made during the interview

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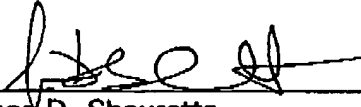
are provided in the preliminary amendment of the RCE filed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,

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